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## Local News

### Paw Paw and Vicinity

Advertised Letters—Box 81, Paw Paw, Mich. (2).

Ford Wilbur drives a new Buick Six automobile.

John Hunt of Mattawan was in Paw Paw on Wednesday.

Howard Lobdell of Hartford was in Paw Paw on Tuesday.

Ray Curtis of Cleveland, Ohio is the guest of his parents and friends here.

"Nick" Huff and Charles Rawson of Decatur were Paw Paw visitors on Tuesday.

Dr. R. C. Morris of Keeler was calling on Paw Paw friends the first of this week.

Judge A. J. Mills of Kalamazoo was in Paw Paw on legal business a part of the week.

Lieutenant Lynn Lake and wife were guests of his parents here a couple of days this week.

The Paw Paw Grange will hold a social evening at the home of Frank Labadie on Saturday, April 20th.

Clyde Burhans is now a member of the 1st company, 1st Battalion of the 160th, Depot Brigade, Camp Custer.

Miss Laura Loveland has purchased the home formerly owned and occupied by the late Mrs. Emma Lyle.

There will be a regular communication of Paw Paw lodge No. 25, F. and A. M. next Tuesday evening, April 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Showerman and C. E. Stevens motored to Battle Creek Sunday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stevens.

Mrs. Bertha North has returned to her home here after spending the winter at the home of her daughter Mrs. Royal T. Hall in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Phillips and children will leave soon for Winnipeg, Canada. Ray is already there, and they expect to make that city their future home.

The funeral services for Mrs. Perkins, an aged lady from Lawton, was held from St. Mary's church here on Wednesday morning and burial was made in the Catholic cemetery.

Dr. Vern Van Fossen returned home Tuesday evening after spending a week in Detroit taking a post graduate course. She stopped in Ann Arbor to attend the Clinics there.

Miss Lola Bates entertained the girls of the Senior class at her home Saturday evening, in honor of her guest, Miss Alice Root of Kendall who was formerly a member of the class.

Howard Parks spent the week end at home with his parents. He has been transferred to the Aviation section of the U. S. Army and is now at Selfridge Fields, Mt. Clemens for training.

Corporal E. J. Leaver of Co. I, 151 U. S. Infantry at Chattanooga, Tenn., is spending a ten days furlough among Paw Paw and Bangor friends. Jake is the picture of health, and is more than pleased with army life.

George Bailey who spent his weeks vacation at home, returned to Ann Arbor Sunday night to pursue his course in the Engineering department where he is devoting himself to wireless telegraphy, aside from his regular course to become better qualified to give this needed service to his country.

The T. J. Cavanaugh home has been the scene of a real "Home-coming" the past week. Mrs. Cavanaugh's mother Mrs. Pershing of Kalamazoo, and her sister, Mrs. A. J. Holland and seven children of Dixon, Illinois have all been guests there, making in all a family of sixteen. "The more the Merrier" is always the theory at the Cavanaugh home, and this has indeed been a jolly week in this household. Mrs. Holland and children are enroute to some point in Manitoba, which is to be their future home, Mr. Holland having preceded her to that place.

Mrs. David Anderson, township chairman of Women's Registration, has appointed the following ladies as Registrars for the City: Mesdames Thayer, Warner, Ferguson, Mosier, McNiel, Miller, Cooley, Breed, Prater, Douglas, Abbott, Waters, Wilsey, Bridger, Johnson, Smith, Van Tassel, Spicer, Mable Miller, Mather and the Misses Lane, Boess, Wheaton and Simpson. For the School Districts: No. 6 Mrs. Ella Betaque, Mrs. Jay Hinkley, Mrs. Maude Lyle; No. 9 Mrs. Nora Culver, Mrs. Jessie McGowan, Mrs. Eva Buys; No. 3 Basil Brundage, Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. Leo Prater; No. 5 Myrtle Moore, Mrs. Boomer, Mrs. Moe; No. 7 Hazel Carroll; No. 2 Maude Fuller, Mrs. David Burke, Mrs. Frank Labadie; No. 9 Fractional Nellie Dunnington, Mrs. Furlington, Miss Nellie Dunnington. There will be a meeting of all the Registrars of the township at the Coterie Club on Saturday, April 20th, at 2:00 P. M.

Miss Marian Pierce is the new clerk at the Emporium.

Mrs. J. E. Gilkey was a Kalamazoo visitor on Monday last.

Mrs. M. L. Barber who has been quite sick during the past week is better at this writing.

Mrs. Olivia Woodman has been seriously ill, but is convalescent at this time.

Hugh Harrison of Charleston, West Virginia was a guest at the home of his sister Mrs. Zephia Ferguson and family the latter part of last week.

Roy Raymond is moving to a farm east of town, and Frank Quintieri will move to his house here in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stapleton are now nicely settled in their new home (The Edgar house) on Gremps street.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reed are going to Detroit next week for an extended visit among relatives and friends.

Mrs. L. V. Moulton of Grand Rapids, formerly Mrs. Nell Raleigh, called on Paw Paw friends during the week end.

Remember the meeting of the Coterie next week "Sunshine Day" Especially fine music is being prepared by the high school chorus.

Miss Marian Mutchler is home recovering from a severe attack of Bronchitis. She expects to return to her work at the M. A. C. the latter part of this week.

H. M. Marshall, one of the pioneers of Van Buren county, and for many years a prosperous merchant in the village of Lawrence died at his home in Ludington last week.

Improvements on the Dyckman house are progressing rapidly, and it will look like a real hotel when finished. The new plate glass which covers the entire lobby front on Main street, was put in place Wednesday.

Attorney Lincoln H. Titus of Kalamazoo will speak at the Union Patriotic service in the Christian church next Sunday evening. The Men's chorus will sing. The importance of this meeting should insure a packed house.

The main object of the Registration of women, which comes on April 27th, is to interpret to the government the possibilities of the woman power of the country, and to give every woman an opportunity to offer to her country such service as she is best fitted to render.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith of Big Rapids were guests of Paw Paw friends the first of the week. Paul expressed himself as well pleased with his new home and work as County Agricultural Agent. They made the return trip by auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitman of Detroit are guests of Paw Paw friends and relatives. They contemplate buying a home here to make Paw Paw their permanent home. Mrs. Whitman was formerly Miss Lottie Showerman.

W. E. Robb of Howell, Michigan was in Paw Paw last Saturday. Mr. Robb is secretary and treasurer of the Citizen's Mutual Auto Insurance Co., and was enroute home from Chicago where he had been to recover a stolen Buick car. Guy F. Warner is local representative for this well known and popular Automobile Insurance company.

Harley Mutchler spent the week end at home, returning to the U. of M. last Monday. He is a member of the University orchestra and accompanied that organization on a tour of the state with the "Let's Go" musical comedy company. The organization is made up of ninety-two members, and they played in Kalamazoo last Friday evening.

The annual meeting of the O. E. S. for the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held at the Masonic Lodge rooms on Wednesday evening April 24th. A family pot luck supper will be served at 6:30 sharp. After which a program will be rendered. It is hoped that all members of the chapter will be present and that they will all come prepared to pay their annual dues.

Guy Burlington, one of the well known and highly respected men of Van Buren county died suddenly at his home in Lawton last Sunday morning. He had spent all his life until recently on a farm in Porter township, and had moved to Lawton to take life a little easier. He retired on Saturday night in his usual good health, and passed away Sunday morning. He was forty-six years of age, and will be missed by a host of friends.

Next Wednesday, April 24th, Sunshine Day will be observed at the Coterie under the supervision of Mrs. E. M. Bailey. The program promises to be an interesting one as Mrs. Marion Bonfoy of Mattawan, who has had many years experience in this beautiful work will be present to explain how its blessed influence can be made to radiate into places most needed. Questions and remarks by the members will be expected to follow this address. A very sunny feature of the occasion will be the music in charge of Miss Mae Brumstead.

Ex-sheriff John Britton of Bangor was in Paw Paw one day last week.

Guy Colburn and family were guests at the James Raymond home last Sunday.

Jake Reid is ill and absent from his post at the Eaton and Mosier store this week.

The Paw Paw Drug company are getting their soda fountain ready for business this week.

Miss Jean Warner entertained the measles the first of the week and was absent from school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Lynn Fren and Mrs. Grace Miller and Mrs. Will Longwell motored to Kalamazoo Sunday and called upon friends in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Cross and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt and two children of Lawrence were Sunday guests at the home of F. N. Wakeman and family.

Mrs. Lizzie Maguire of Paw Paw will entertain the Gleaners at her home in Paw Paw on Saturday evening, April 27th. A pot luck supper will be served.

### HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Mr. Munson of the State Department of Education paid the local schools a visit on Tuesday.

The Junior Red Cross is being organized in the local schools. The funds for carrying on this work is to be raised by contribution either from the pupils or the citizens of the community. The Domestic Art classes under the supervision of Miss Marshall will take an active part in the work which will include the making of garments for the refugees in Europe.

The Thrift Stamp campaign is proving interesting, showing that the small amount which each pupil can give is helping. The following figures show the amount bought by each grade last week and the total amount bought by the grades thus far in the campaign. First Grade \$7.25, Total \$9.; Second Grade \$10.50, Total \$25.; Third Grade \$8.50, Total \$33.50; Fourth Grade \$5.00, Total \$38.50; Fifth Grade \$21.75, Total \$60.25; Sixth Grade \$12.75, Total \$73.00; Seventh Grade \$3.25, Total \$76.25; Eighth Grade \$4.50, Total \$80.75; Ninth Grade \$29.75, Total \$110.50; Tenth Grade \$4.50, Total \$115.00; Eleventh Grade \$4.00, Total \$119.00; Twelfth Grade \$6.75, Total \$125.75. Total for last week \$118.50, total to date \$193.75.

The Fifth grade lead in the lower grades during the past week, having purchased a total of \$21.75 worth of stamps. This is a very fine record as a good deal of this money was earned recently by the members of the grade for the exclusive purpose of investing in Thrift Stamps. The Ninth grade led the upper classes with a sale of \$29.75 which leaves a mark for the other grades to aspire to in the future.

The semi-annual County Teachers' Examination will be held at the Paw Paw high school April 25 and 26. The reading circle books for this year are "Language Work in Elementary Schools" by Leiper, and "Government as a Business" by Sparks. Four of the Senior class, Nellie Jacobs, Irene Wilcox, Anna Mortensen and Harold Hathaway will take this examination.

The annual Junior Class Play was given before a large audience at the Longwell Opera House last Friday and Saturday evenings. The play "Savageland" was an especially difficult production to stage, but the cast throughout took their parts in a very creditable manner. The various episodes furnished plenty of laughter throughout. Robert Webb as Jake Heinz, Caroline Johnson as Birde Margolin and Floy Salsbury as Miss Dotty kept the audience in peals of laughter. The defective detective, Leo Mentor, Mit Dow as Gilroy Clay the hero, Metta Smith as Quaker maid and Guy Mumbue as Buddy played the leading parts. Our efficient railroad received another knock in the form of an original duet given by Duane Gleason and Arba Bradley acting as the "Coupling Pins."

The Paw Paw Base Ball team made an attack on the Dowagiac nine last Friday. The Round Oakers struck bravely in the first inning while the Paw Pawets played a wonderful offensive. After the first inning the Stove makers began riding our twirlers, Ferguson. They beat him down in the first half when our Bills succeeded to the mound. They beat him on the nose twice, and knocked him out to center field. Manning was next in turn to be massacred. In changing the positions of several of the men, the game became one of confusion. Some changes had to be made for Dow was forced to stay out of the game to save his delicate voice for the Junior play. Amid the confusion our boys became excited several times, and did not do justice to their reputation. It is hoped that they will profit by some of their experience in this game. Hindenach took the mound and fought bravely through the last three innings. The final score was 14 to 6. It has been difficult to place the nine this year on account of so many contestants. As soon as all the men are stationed and each player has become accustomed to his position, we will fall into our old swing and play a real game.

The next quota of recruits for the national army will be called May 10. Michigan will furnish 2,593, of which Van Buren's share will be seventeen. "Savageland" the Junior Class play at the Opera House last Friday and Saturday evenings was well attended, and pleasing from every standpoint. The cast did especially well considering the difficult roles of the play. A nice sum was realized from the efforts of the class.

The Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday to organize for the ensuing year. H. J. Sionaker of Pine Grove township was elected chairman of the board. Supervisors Kirby, Heagy, Chase, Burger and Hoag, were appointed as a committee to confer with similar committees from the counties of Cass and Berrien on the advisability of erecting a Tuberculosis sanitarium for the use of the three counties. Supervisors Tuttle, Bolinger, Chase, Turner and Long were named as a county building committee, and the chairman will announce the regular committees at some later date. The Sheriff was authorized to appoint a "Speed Officer" to patrol the highways of the county.

Word has just been received of the "home-going" of Miss Effie R. Hall, a former resident of Paw Paw, which occurred at her home, 5963 Midway Park, Chicago, January 18th. The severity of the weather and uncertain transportation conditions made it next to impossible to bring her remains to her old home at that time, therefore they were placed in a vault in Forest Home Cemetery awaiting a more suitable time for burial. The date set for the funeral will be the anniversary of her mother's burial. The funeral will take place from the Baptist church here Tuesday, April 23rd. Burial will be at the Wildey cemetery where all but one sister Elma Hall Woolf, is resting. It is desired that all old friends and neighbors be present. The deceased was born in this township, on a farm about three miles from this village. At the age of eight, she, with her sister Celina, united with the Baptist church, with which denomination she has always been affiliated and in which she has been an earnest and faithful worker, excepting at such times as her health would prevent her so doing, and even then, her thoughts were always with her "Christian Home" and its workings. She will be remembered as a generous, kind, obliging and sympathetic neighbor in the different localities in which she has resided. With those she really liked, she knew no limit. To her remaining sister with whom she has been associated all but six years of their lives, it has left a vacancy which can never be filled-a heartache which can never be healed.

Letter from Maurice Cole, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery O. R. C. "Somewhere in France" to his Uncle, Postmaster H. A. Cole and family.

Our present location is in one of the oldest and most historic of the French provinces. In a French history that I bought just today, for instance, the picture at the beginning of the first chapter is of an old "dolmen", or a Druid temple that dates from several centuries B. C., and which is located about two miles from the school here. We went over Sunday and took some pictures of it. It isn't much of a temple as we regard them, but just several huge stones piled in such a way as to make a little room inside. I understand that in the olden days the Druids would offer their human sacrifices in these temples.

Then, too, the country is just full of old castles and chateaux. The walls are several meters thick, and very high, tapering windows through which the archers used to shoot, the drawbridge, portcullis and moat and usually a deep, dark dungeon and heavy chains for the prisoners are still dangling from the walls. Often there are subterranean passages to some distant place, and in one castle I was through, there was a long incline through which they would shoot the bodies of tortured victims into the river many meters below. A great many of these old places are decaying and in a state of disrepair. When in such a condition they seem all the more wonderful. They cover a lot of ground and usually tower from some prominent hill. Inside the walls you will find the home of the lord, the church, a mill where the serfs would bring their grain for grinding, and then all around at the foot of the wall the town is spread.

All buildings, even those of the very poorest, are made of stone blocks, as the hills about here are filled with sand stone. Sometimes a whole part of a town is carved right out of the side of a stone cliff, just as I imagine the cliff-dwellers in our own West used to live. The openings of these caverns are usually covered with green vines and really make a very pretty sight. Yesterday we went through the estate of a more modern chateau and there was a small chapel carved out of the rock at the end of a long shady path.

France, to me, seems more naturally beautiful than England, although I saw but little of the latter. England was wonderful, very clean and neat even in the country. All England seems like a park.

Tomorrow we spend the entire day at the range. We shall go in big auto trucks and after arriving will spend the day firing the guns and practical work of that sort. Last Sunday they put the clock ahead an hour, so we work later at night.

Mrs. Charles Passmore has moved to the E. J. Roundy residence. A. T. Stevenson and family were in Hartford Sunday to attend the funeral of his niece.

Earl Raymond arrived home from Byers, Texas this week to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Raymond, before becoming a part of Uncle Sam's fighting force.

Mrs. David Anderson, township chairman of the Women's Registration has called a meeting of all the Registrars for the township at the Coterie Club rooms on Saturday, April 20th, at 2:00 P. M. It will be a mighty important meeting and Registrars should by all means be present. April 27th, is registration day, and this meeting tomorrow is for preliminary instruction and to get ready for the main work.

A large crowd of ladies from all over the county were here last Saturday afternoon and filled the Court room to overflowing, many being obliged to stand. They came to receive instructions in regard to the registration of women for war work. Mrs. Grace Vrankin of Kalamazoo was present and gave the instructions in a very pleasing manner. Mrs. Frank J. Henry who had recently returned from England gave a very entertaining account of the war and its effects on England. Mrs. Lena Rawson county chairman, gave a short talk. The day proved most successful thanks to Mrs. David Anderson the local chairman.

The True Northerner was in error last week in giving the dates for the Evelyn Nesbit Thaw feature at the Idle Hour. This feature "Redemption" comes Friday and Saturday nights, April 26 and 27. Those who came to the Idle Hour last week expecting to see this feature, were not disappointed, for the feature shown those evenings was the best ever seen in Paw Paw. In fact Mr. Reeves puts on splendid features every night, and no matter what may be the evening one decides to attend this popular movie house, he is sure to feel well repaid for the splendid programs scheduled are always well worth seeing.

Van Buren is "Going Over the Top", there is no doubt about that. Reports to T. J. Cavanaugh, county chairman of the drive, indicate satisfactory progress in all sections of the county. Some townships have already exceeded their quota, and all sections are still working. The ladies of the County up to Wednesday of this week had secured subscriptions amounting to \$104,250. There will be no let up until the last minute of the last day of the drive, and it is the ambition of all workers in every part of the county to see just how far "Over the Top" Van Buren county will be when the final figures are tabulated. Paw Paw has the proud distinction of being the first township in the county to exceed the quota. Township chairman Royal Decker reports that when the figures for Paw Paw were tabulated last week Thursday this township had then gone "Over the Top" by several thousand dollars, and a tabulation of the township reports on Thursday noon of this week, found Paw Paw over the \$75,000 mark. Thirty per cent of this amount has been voluntarily subscriptions at the banks, and \$32,000 has been obtained by the Women's committee. Paw Paw's quota for this loan was approximately \$47,000, and to double this quota is the ultimate goal of the workers. "Paw Paw will do it" say the committees, and that means the goal will be reached. Hats off to the ladies, to the various committees, and to every person who has been a factor in placing Paw Paw at the top of the list in the Third Liberty Loan. And hats off to the workers of the entire county. Van Buren is "Going over the Top." Keep everlastingly at it up to the last minute, and if there is a single man in the county who is unwilling to do his part to "Hold the Line" he should be ashamed to call America his home.

### U. S. CERTIFICATE AND THRIFT STAMP REPORT

Paw Paw, Michigan, April 15, 1918. Statement of War Saving Certificate and Thrift Stamps sold for the period from December 5, 1917 to April 13, 1918, (both dates included).

	War Saving Certificate	Thrift Stamps	Value
Bangor	593	1715	\$2,878.42
Bloomington	214	882	1,105.04
Covert	142	797	786.61
Decatur	177	400	831.56
Gobleville	808	612	3,492.29
Grand Junc't	48	410	301.49
Hartford	1532	688	6,508.67
Lawrence	545	550	2,392.79
Lawton	486	858	2,225.08
Berlamont	10	16	45.46
Breedsville	15	126	93.49
Kendall	16	15	69.88
Kibbie	5	51	33.44
Laota	9	63	52.90
McDonald	12	127	81.43
Mattawan	444	106	1,857.98
Mentha	84	116	375.55
Pine Grove Mills			
Sister Lakes	6	25	31.03
Paw Paw	5,146	7,557	\$23,163.11
	704	1,365	3,262.74
Total	5,850	8,922	\$26,415.85

H. A. Cole  
Central Accounting Postmaster.

The contract for the cement highway east of Paw Paw to the County line will be let on Saturday, April 30.

Wm. H. Mason and Harry Mather will move their offices next Monday to the Free Building in the room formerly occupied by the Lavery store.

C. E. Roundy and family left on Wednesday for the new home in Porterville, California. The best wishes of the entire community go with them to their western home.

Charles Schmelze, who has been in Jennings, Michigan for the past year or more has returned to Paw Paw and will again make this place his home.

The District Draft Board has placed "Bill" Killefer in Class 1 A of the draft, which makes him subject to call for the next quota. There is gloom among the Cub fans of Chicago over the prospects of losing the star catcher of the league, but "Bill" says that he is ready when needed. The Kalamazoo Gazette and Chicago papers state that "The District Draft Board placed Killefer in Class 1 A, on account of the fact that Van Buren county was far behind in its quota." This statement is absolutely false and is a base slander on the good name of Van Buren county and the local Draft Board. Van Buren county has furnished its full quota up to this time, and will continue to do so just as long as fighting men are needed for the army. Mr. Potter, chairman of the District Draft Board is given as authority for the statement in the metropolitan dailies, but Mr. Potter, when questioned about the interview, said:—"It is a lie, I never said it."

### REPORT OF CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE

Mrs. Lotta M. Nicholson of Hartford, county manager for the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals, submits the following report. It will be noted with considerable pride by Paw Paw people that the local schools top the list in the number of stamps sold, and it might be added that the fifth grade led the school.

Value of Seals sold	\$521.20
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Amount remitted to State	\$173.73
Amount retained by County	\$347.47

\$521.20	
No. Rural Schools receiving seals	139
No. Rural schools responding	120
No. Rural schools not heard from	4
No. schools returning seals unsold	15
Amount received from Rural schools	\$217.02
Amount received from Villages in order of their sales:	
South Haven	\$86.37
Paw Paw	59.18
Hartford	43.41
Bangor	41.16
Decatur	21.30
Lawrence	19.63
Lawton	11.75
Gobleville	9.28
Mattawan	5.00
Arlington	4.60
Covert	1.50
Geneva	1.00
Total	\$304.18

Expenses of sale	\$28.42
State's share	\$173.73
Total	\$202.15

Balance from last year	\$218.93
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Cash on hand	\$537.98
The three High schools selling largest number of seals:	
Paw Paw High School	\$30.31
Hartford High school	29.20
Gobleville	9.28
The three Rural schools selling largest number of seals:	
Lanin School Dist. No. 5, South Haven, Ernest Probyn, teacher \$9.00	
Dist. No. 6, Lawrence, Eulah Chase, teacher 7.00	
Dist. No. 7, Waverly, Iris Warner, teacher 5.00	
Dist. No. 1, Kendall, Esther Waber, teacher 5.00	

Number prizes awarded:—  
M. H. C. Certificates 344  
Red Cross Buttons (Squire) 600  
Silver Pins (Knights) 32  
Gold Pins (Knight Banneret) 3  
Seal sale per capita for county \$1.56

In submitting the above report the Van Buren Double Red Cross Society wishes to thank the chairman of the several villages that participated in the Seal Sale, also the teachers of the County, for their most valuable help in advancing the receipts of the 1917 Christmas Sale.

A gain of \$271.08 over last year's receipts, over 100 per cent is sufficient testimony of the awakened interest of the people of Van Buren County in this cause which vitally concerns each and every one.

At the Annual Meeting of the Society, held at Lawrence in May, a resolution was passed, viz., "That we place our society at the service of the Red Cross during the war for any work within our field." The Society has two different projects pending: one, of uniting with the counties of Cass and Berrien in the erection of a Sanatorium for the treatment of tuberculosis cases from any of the three counties; the other, the procuring of a permanent visiting Nurse for Van Buren county. These matters will be taken up at the Annual Meeting which will occur sometime in May, and some decision regarding them will be reached; otherwise, the money on hand can be invested in Liberty Bonds until such time as the Society shall be able to bring about one of these two objects.